

Remark

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application. No claims have been amended. Therefore, claims 1-29 are present for examination.

35 U.S.C. §103 Rejection***Bender in view of Koo***

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 3, 5-7, 8, 12, 14-16, 17-18, 20-21, 24-25 and 27-28 under 35 U.S.C. §103 (a) as being unpatentable over Bender, U.S. Patent No. 6,366,779 ("Bender") in view of Mousley, U.S. Patent No. 6,366, 779 ("Mousley").

Applicant's previous remarks addressed three significant differences between the Bender/Koo combination and the pending claims.

- 1) the channel assignment is received in the same frame in which the channel request is sent.
- 2) the uplink data is sent in the frame following the frame of the channel assignment.
- 3) the downlink data is sent in the same frame as the uplink data.

Mousley shows TDMA frames but does not show any of the three features that were absent from Bender/Koo. In addition, the Examiner has declined to address any of these features. The details of how these features are absent from Bender/Koo may be found in Applicant's remarks of September 15, 2005.

35 U.S.C. §103 Rejection***Other References***

The Examiner has rejected claims based on Bender and Mousley in combination with a variety of other references. These other references were not cited for and do not teach or suggest any of the three features mentioned above as absent in Bender/Mousley.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections are in error, and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims as amended be allowed.

Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.


Request for an Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for such an extension. Charge our Deposit Account.

Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

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